Name of Policy: Administration of Medication by Licensed Practical Nurses
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(A) Policy Statement

Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs) may administer medications following the Administration of Medications Policy 3364-110-05-03 and the following criteria.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To clarify the LPNs role in the Administration of medications.

(C) Procedure

1. The LPN must have a valid NAPNES or OOPNA medication card as well as successful completion of the UTMC medication portion of Nursing Service Orientation and an orientation Medication Test.

2. An LPN administering medications must follow Policy No. 3364-110-05-03 “Administration of Medications.”

3. An LPN may not accept a verbal order for a medication.

4. The LPN role in the management of Intravenous Therapy is specified in Policy No. 3364-110-05-15 “Limited Intravenous Therapy Procedures for Qualified Licensed Practical Nurses” (with IV course).

References: ONS. Chemotherapy and Biotherapy Guidelines and Recommendations for Practice. 2014.

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